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Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I urge you to take whatever action is necessary to ensure that local internet providers are not shut out by the larger national ISPs. Having a local option where I currently live has been a blessing. When I lived in Seattle, there was only one option in a large national ISP. I almost never saw the 50 mbps bandwidth that I was promised and would routinely switch to using my cell phone's LTE network because it actually provided more throughput than my cable internet service (which is ridiculous). Since moving to a region that has more options a year ago, I have not had a single complaint with my current ISP: consistent bandwidth of the level promised. Again, I urge you not to allow the same ISPs that have a proven record of terrible customer service and poor bandwidth lock out the local internet providers who are actually providing a quality product to their customers.

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